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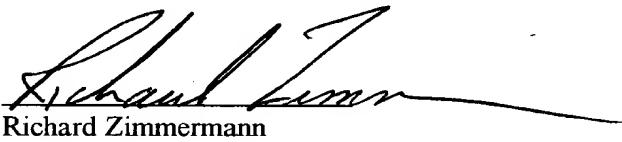
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the claims (as amended during International Preliminary Examination):

Please amend claims 3, 6, 8, 10-15, 18, 19, 21, and 23-25 as follows:

In claim 3, line 1, please delete "or 2".

In claim 5, line 1, please delete "claim 4" and substitute --claim 1--
therefor.